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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED MAY 30, 2007**

This Response is submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed May 30, 2007, in the above-identified patent application. With a three-month extension, this Response is due on or before November 30, 2007. Applicants submit herewith a Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time, along with the appropriate fee.

Applicants also submit this paper in conjunction with a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 and the fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e). This paper constitutes a proper submission under 37 C.F.R. §1.114(c).

Applicants believe no additional fees are due in connection with this filing. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 23239-538.

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 15 of this paper.